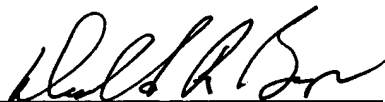


REMARKS

The present amendment is responsive to the action mailed in the above-referenced case on September 3, 2004, in which the Examiner indicated that claims 1-10 are allowed, and that claims 12, 14, 19 and 20 would be allowable if amended to include the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. The applicant has accordingly amended the claims to match the Examiner's indications of allowability, and the applicant requests reconsideration and that the case be allowed and passed quickly to issue.

If there are any fees due beyond any fees paid with the present application and amendment, such fees are authorized to be deducted from deposit account 50-0534. If there any time extensions needed beyond any extension requested with this amendment, such time extension is requested.

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